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Kings Local School District 5620 Columbia Road Kings Mills, OH 45034 Nancy Neeley Transportation Coor. (513) 398-5671 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Kings Park Central School District Business Office Kohr Road Kings Park, NY 11754 Daniel E. Laub Administrative Assistant to Supt. for Business (516) 269-6000 Total Students: 4,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1988

Klein Independent School District 7200 Spring Cypress Road Klein, TX 77379 Gary Butler Transportation Director (713) 376-4180. Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A. Implemented: N/A

Kokomo-Center Township Consolidated School Corporation 100 W. Lincoln Kokomo, IN 46902 Liz McDorman Transportation Supervisor (317) 457-2974 Total Students: 8,300 Square Miles: 35 Implemented: 1989

Kyrene School District #28 8700 South Kyrene Road Tempe, AZ 85284 Bill Hegebush **Business Manager** (602) 496-4610 Total Students: 6,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1991

School District of LaCrosse Hogan Administrative Center 807 East Avenue South. LaCrosse, WI 54601 Tom Ward Supervisor of Admin. D.P./Acct. (608) 789-7631 Total Students: 7,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

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Lafayette School Corporation

2300 Cason Street

Lafayette, IN 47904

Leon Dickson

Director of Extended Services

(317) 449-3248

Total Students: 7,200

Square Miles: 30

Implemented: N/A

Lake Central School Corporation

8260 Wicker Avenue

St. John, IN 46373

Ed Wietecha

Director of Transportation

(219) 365-8507

Total Students: 7,700

Square Miles: 45

Implemented: 1990

Lake Orion Community Schools

467 East Jackson

Lake Orion, MI 48362

Charlie Ray

Director of Transportation

(313) 693-5490

Total Students: 4,900

Square Miles: 50.

Implemented: 1989

Lakeview Local School District

29300 Hillman Drive

Cortland, OH 44410

· Dick Raidel

Superintendent

(216) 637-8741

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

Lake Washington School District

15212 Northeast 95th

Redmond, WA 98052

Alice Jordan

Transportation Supervisor

(206) 882-5120

Total Students: 21.000

Square Miles: 150

Implemented: 1990

Lakota Local School District

5030 Tylersville Road2930 Gay Avenue

West Chester, OH 45069

Hazel Miller

Director of Transportation

(513) 777-9630

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

Lancaster City Schools

345 East Mulberry Street

Lancaster, OH 43130

Robert A. Urig

Assistant Superintendent

(614) 687-7310

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

LaPorte Community School Corporation

1921 A Street

LaPorte, IN 46350

Jay Flick

Transportation Director

(219) 362-1023

Total Students: 6,500

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1988

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Laramie County School District 2810 House Avenue Cheyenne, WY 82001 Bradley G. Oberg Director of Planning (307) 771-2124 Total Students: 10,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Metropolitan School District of Lawrence Township 7433 East 56th Street Indianapolis, IN 46226 Don Inskeep Director of Transportation (317) 543-5336 Total Students: 10,000 Square Miles: 48 Implemented: 1990

Merrimack School District School Administration Unit 26 36 McElwain Street Merrimack, NH 03054 Dick Dumont Transportation Coordinator (603) 424-6210 Total Students: 5,500 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Lawrence Union Free School District 195 Broadway, Room 105 ... Lawrence, NY 11559 Robert Pape Transportation Director (516) 239-1016 Total Students: 5,700 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1986

Leander LS.D. 401 South West Street Leander, TX 78641 Ken Cogdell Director of Transportation (512) 259-0240 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Commission Scolaire De La Gardenr 80, Rue Jean-Baptiste Meilleur Repentigny, Quebec J6A 6C5 CANADA Jacques Demers Director (514) 654-8031,8029,8028 Total Students: 15,000. Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Liberty Local Schools 4115 Shady Lane Youngstown, OH 44505 Paul McCombs Director of Transportation (216) 759-7450 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

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Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
Livonia, MI 48154-5474
Charles R. Ritter
Assistant Director of Operations
(313) 523-8825
Total Students: 12,000
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1988

Los Angeles County Office of Education
9525 Imperial Hwy, RM. 118
Downey, CA 90242
Randy Eichert
Manager Systems Specialist
(213) 803-8508
Charles J. Devlin
Transportation Officer
(213) 803-8538
Total Students: 5,000
Square Miles: 740
Implemented: 1990

Louisville City Schools
418 East Main Street
Louisville, OH 44641
David Mancini
Superintendent
(216) 875-9687
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Madison Metropolitan School District
545 West Dayton Street
Madison, WI 53703
John Gaffney
Systems Manager
(608) 266-6270
Total Students: 22,000
Square Miles: 65
Implemented: 1991

Manchester Local School District
6075 Manchester Road
Akron, OH 44319
Phil Bevington
Director of Services
(216) 882-4157
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Manhattan-Ogden Public Schools
Unified School District #383
2031 Poyntz Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66502-3898
John Mayberry
Director of Transportation
(913) 537-0963
Total Students: 6,500
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1990

Marion Community Schools
1240 South Adams Street
Marion, IN 46952
Arthur "Skip" Ackley
Transportation Supervisor
(317) 664-4237
Total Students: 6,500
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1991

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Martinez Unified School District 921 Susana Street Martinez, CA 94553 Laird Neuhart Consultant (415) 846-7007 Total Students: 3,400 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Mat-Su School District 8C01 Box 6048, Room F10 Palmer, AK 99645 Saundra C. Hutchins Pupil Trans. Coordinator (907) 746-9530 Total Students: 9,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Medina Co. Board of Education 144 N. Broadway Street Medina, OH 44256 Jim Boyes Assistant Superintendent (216) 723-6393 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Merced City Elementary School District 444 West 23rd Street Merced, CA 95340-3785 Mike Smith Data Processing Manager (209) 385-6708 Total Students: 11,400 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Michigan City Area Schools 1100 South Woodland Avenue Michigan City, IN 46360 Joyce Stark Director of Transportation (219) 873-2127 Total Students: 9,100 Square Miles: 150 Implemented: 1989

Middletown City School District 1515 Girard Avenue Middletown, OH 45044 Joe Di Staola Director of Personnel & Facilities (513) 423-0781 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Midview Local School District 1097 Elm Street Grafton, OH 44044 Al Gilder Administrative Assistant (216) 926-3737 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Milford School District 906 Lakeview Avenue Milford, DE 19963 Charlie Onusko Transportation Supervisor (302) 422-1600 Total Students: 3,100 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1988

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Minnetonka Public Schools 261 School Avenue Excelsion, MN 55331 Jim Schmidt Transportation Director (612) 470-3424 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Missouri Dept. of Elementary & Secondary Education Voluntary Desegregation Transportation 7435 Watson Road Kenrick Plaza, Suite 100A St. Louis, MO 63119 Dennis Hamann Supervisor of Deseg. Trans. (314) 962-5224 Total Students: 16.000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1985

Monroe County Community School Corporation 560 East Miller Drive Bloomington, IN 47401 Harley Bell Transportation Supervisor (812) 330-7719 Total Students: 11,000 Square Miles: 350 Implemented: N/A

Montgomery County Schools Regional Center 1831 Harshman Road John Herner Assistant Superintendent (513) 236-9965 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Moore Public Schools 400 North Broadway Moore, OK 73160 **Ed Nash** Director of Transportation (405) 793-3091 Total Students: 15,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Moorhead Public Schools (L.S.D. #152) Townsite Center 810 South 4th Avenue Moorhead, MN 56560 Dan Bacon Supervisor of Transportation & Census (218) 236-6400 ext. 237 Total Students: 5,500 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1988

Moreland Elementary School District 4710 Campbell Avenue San Jose, CA 95130 Kristine Sieben Transportation Department (408) 379-1370 Total Students: 3,600 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1991

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Morgan Hill Unified School District 105 Edes Court Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Lucille Ball

Transportation Director

(408) 779-8322

Total Students: 8,700

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1989

Mukilteo School District #6

9401 Sharon Drive

Everett, WA 98204

Debbie Thompson

Transportation

(206) 356-1306

Total Students: 7,000

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1989

Neshaminy School District

2001 Old Lincoln Highway

Langhorne, PA 19047

Beth Connolly

Transportation Foreman

(215) 752-6313

Total Students: 10,000

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1988

Newburgh City Schools

124 Grand Street

Newburgh, NY 12550

Art Brewer

Director of Transportation

(914) 561-3232

Total Students: 11,000

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1988

New Rochelle City School District

515 North Avenue

New Rochelle, NY 10801

Betty Doherty

Transportation Assistant

(914) 576-4230

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

Norman Public Schools

1133 West Main

Norman, OK 73069

Danny Lovett

Data Processing Manager

(405) 321-5014

Total Students: 11,000

Square Miles: NA

Implemented: 1990

North Allegheny School District

200 Hillbue Lane

Pittsburg, PA 15237

Roger Bottl

Transportation Manager

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Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

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Northmont City Schools
4001 Old Salem Road
Eaglewood, OH 45322
Sharon Buttram
Transportation Supervisor
(513) 836-6005
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

North Olmsted City School District 24100 Palm Drive North Olmsted, OH 44070 Leonard Frick Transportation Director (216) 779-3582 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

North Penn School District
400 Penn Street
Landsdale, PA 19446
Andy Forsythe
Transportation Supervisor
(215) 368-9800
Total Students: 12,600
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1989

North Ridgeville City Schools
35895 Center Ridge Road
North Ridgeville, OH 44039
Dr. Gordon E. Rodeen
Director of Admin. Services
(216) 327-4444
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

North Thurston School District #3
6620 Carpenter Road
Lacey, WA 98503
Myrna Lance
Director of Transportation
(206) 493-9101
Total Students: 12,000
Square Miles: 74
Implemented: 1989

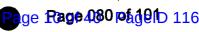
Northwest Local School District 8590 Eric Avenue North Canal Fulton, OH 44614 Dennis Lambes Superintendent (216) 854-2291 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Northwest School District
4700 Poole Road
Cincinatti, OH 45251
Larry Jones
Transportation Supervisor
(513) 385-8375
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

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North York Board of Education 15 Oakburn Crescent North York, ON M2N 2T5 CANADA

Bill Zumpano Superintendent of Transportation Services (416) 395-4409 ext. 8737 Total Students: 60,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1981

Norwich Central School District 112 S. Broad Street

Norwich, NY 13815 Leroy Burlison Transportation Director (607) 334-3211 Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Oakland Unified School District

1025 Second Avenue Oakland, CA 94606 Shirley Berg IBM Account Representative (415) 464-5209

Total Students: 50,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1991

Oceanside City Unified School District

2111 Mission

Oceanside, CA 92054

John Farr

Transportation Director

(619) 757-2560 Total Students: 16,900 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Ohio State Project (MCOECN)

7800 Columbus Road Louisville, OH 44641 Marshall Holmes **Project Coordinator** (216) 875-1431 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Districts:

Kings Local Anthony Wayne Lake/Geanga Bath Local Lakeview Local Canton

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Rocky River Northmont Salem City No. Olmstead So. Buclid-Lyndhurst Summit County Sycamore Springfield Local

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Ontario-Montclair Elementary School District 950 West "D" Street Ontario, CA 91762 Hal Shimin Director, Data Processing (714) 983-9501 Total Students: 20,900 Square Miles: 26

Implemented: 1990

Oregon City School District #62 1417 12th Street Oregon City, OR 97045 Ken Rezak **Business Manager** (503) 657-2400 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Osseo LS.D. #279 P.O. Box 327 Maple Grove, MN 55369 Len Sutherland Transporation Director (612) 425-4131 Total Students: NA Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1991

Ossining Public Schools 190 Croton Avenue Ossining, NY 10562-4599 Fran Collins Supervisor of Transportation (914) 941-7700 Total Students: NA Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Ottawa Board of Education 662 Lyon Street Ottawa, ON K1S 5G7 CANADA Mike Paquette Transportation Computer Technician (613) 239-2204 Total Students: 30,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1991

Palatine Community Consolidated School District #15 E. S. Castor Admin, Building 505 South Quentin Road Palatine, IL 60067 Bonita Williams Systems Analyst (708) 934-2770 Total Students: 9,600 Square Miles: 36 Implemented: 1988

Palo Alto Unified School District 25 Churchill Palo Alto, CA 94306 Steve Johnson Transportation Director (415) 329-3706 Total Students: 7,400 Square Miles: 75 Implemented: 1990

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Paradise Unified School District 5665 Recreation Drive Paradise, CA 95969 Wade Havens Director of Transportation (916) 872-6484 Total Students: 4,600 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Paradise Valley Unified School District #69 15002 North 32nd Street Phoenix, AZ 85032 Janette Bower Director of Data Processing (602) 867-5188 Total Students: 23,000 Square Miles: 110 Implemented: 1988

Paramus Board of Education 145 Spring Valley Road Paramus, NJ 07652 Jerome Bohnert **Business Manager** (201) 261-7800 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1986

Parkway School District 455 North Woods Mill Road Chesterfield, MO 63017 Alfred F. Hedrick Manager of Transportation (314) 851-8210 Total Students: 20,000 Square Miles: 68 Implemented: 1986

Pasadena Independent School District 1515 Cherrybrook Road Pasadena, TX 77502 Sandy Doolan Secretary to Trans. Dir. (713) 920-6807 Total Students: 35,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1991

Pasco School District #1 1004 North 16th Avenue Pasco, WA 99301-4098 Zeny Myers Transportation Secretary (509) 547-2510 Total Students: 6,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Paso Robles School District 2910 Union Road Paso Robles, CA 93446 Sam Delario Transportation Director (805) 238-2623 ext. 283 Total Students: 4,000 Square Miles: 600 Implemented: 1989

Paulding County Schools 522 Hardee Street Dallas, GA 30132 Joe Watson Transportation Director (404) 443-8000 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

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Pearl River School District 37 Franklin Avenue Pearl River, NY 10965 Nicki Rivera Transportation Supervisor (914) 735-4091 Total Students: 2,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1988

Peel Board of Education H.J.A. Brown Education Centre 5650 Hurontario Street Mississauga, ON L5B 1H5 CANADA Ken Wilkins Manager of Computer Services (416) 890-1099 Total Students: 83,000

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1988

Pekin Public School District #108 501 Washington Street Pekin, IL 61554 Guy M. Cahill Director of Finance/Operations (309) 346-7276 Total Students; 4,200 Square Miles: 100 Implemented: 1989

Penn-Harris-Madison School Corporation 55910 Bittersweet Road Mishawaka, IN 46544 Dave Rowe Director of Transportation (219) 259-7941 Total Students: 7,200 Square Miles: 150 Implemented: 1989

Peoria Unified School District #11 6625 West Cholla Glendale, AZ 85345 Bob Pickhard Director of Transportation (602) 878-5512 Total Students: 20,000 Square Miles: 100 Implemented: 1988

Phillipsburg Board of Education 675 Corlis Avenue Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 Milton Bierman ext. 291 **Business Administrator** (201) 454-4300 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Pickerington Local School District 777 Long Road Pickerington, OH 43147. David Sheets Transportation Director (614) 833-2110 Total Students: 3,800 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

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Metropolitan School District of Pike Township 6901 Zionsville Road Indianapolis, IN 46268 Ken Pennington Director of Transportation (317) 293-0393 Total Students: 5,500 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Pine Tree Independent School District 704 Birch Longview, TX 75604 Neilan Steele Director of Transportation and Maintenance (903) 295-5106 Total Students: 4,900 Square Miles: 54 Implemented: 1992

Plain Local School District 901 44th Street N.W. Canton, OH 44709 Ron Platt Business Manager -(216) 492-3500· Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Plano Independent School District 600 Seabrook Plano, TX 75023 Rose Ann Dukes Transportation Director (214) 517-0086 Total Students: 27,000 Square Miles: 105 Implemented: 1989

Pleasanton Unified School District 4665 Bernal Avenue Pleasanton, CA 94566-7498 Dr. Buster R. McCurtain Assistant Superintendent, **Business Services** (415) 462-5500 Total Students: 9,300 Square Miles: 50 Implemented: 1989

Pleasants County Schools P.O. Box 210 St. Marys, WV 26170 Rockie Hall Transportation Director, RESAV (304) 665-2240 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Pocatello School District #25 3115 Pole Line Road Pocatello, ID 83204-1390 Jerry Scaggs Transportation Director (208) 232-3563 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1991

Poudre School District 2407 LaPorte Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80521-2297 Ron Spies Transportation Director (303) 490-3575 Total Students: 17,600 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1986

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Poway Unified School District 13626 Twin Peaks Road Poway, CA 92064-3098 Tom Chaffin Director of Transportation (619) 748-7370 ext. 310 Total Students: 21,100 Square Miles: 102 Implemented: 1989

Prince William County Public Schools 14800 Joplin Road Manassas, VA 22110 Charles A. McLeod Supervisor, Real Property & Site Acquisition (703) 791-7312 Total Students: 40,000 Square Miles: 350 Implemented: 1989

Quincy Public Schools #172 121 North 20th Quincy, IL 62301 Chuck Radel Director of Transportation (217) 224-5910 Total Students: 7,000 Square Miles: 100 Implemented: 1990

Racine School District 2220 Northwestern Avenue Racine, WI 53404 Sharon Mack Director of Transportation (414) 631-6998 Total Students: 23,000 Square Miles: 100 Implemented: 1988

Randolph Township Schools School House Road Randolph, NJ 07869 Harold Zofkin Transportation Supervisor (908) 361-9410 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Ravenna City School District 507 East Main Street Ravenna, OH 44266. Ron snowberger Business Manager (216) 296-7159 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Redlands Unified School District 956 Citrus Ave. Redlands, CA 92373-0302. Bob DeGiacomo Manager of Transportation (714) 798-3967 Total Students: 15,900 Square Miles: 125 Implemented: 1990

Renton School District #403 435 Main Avenue South Renton, WA 98055 Mary Deems Transportation Dispatcher (206) 235-5813 Total Students: 12,000 Square Miles: 35 Implemented: 1988

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Resa V (8 Districts) 1210 Thirteenth Street Parkersburg, WV 26101 James P. Lydon Executive Director (304) 485-6515 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A Pleasants County **Jackson County** Rosne County Wirt County Calhoun County Ritchie County Tyler County Wood County

> Revere Local Schools 3496 Evertt Road Bath, OH 44210-0340 **Peter Allison Business Manager** (216) 861-8242 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Richfield LS.D. #280 7001 Harriet Avenue South Richfield, MN 55423 Joy Korte Transportation Specialist (612) 861-8242 Total Students: 4,200 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

... River Falls School District 805 West Locust Street River Falls, WI 54022 Ron Weishaar Supt. of Transportation (715) 425-1808 Total Students: 2,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1987

Riverside Unified School District 3380 14th Street Riverside, CA 92516 Dr. Paul Houston Superintendent (714) 788-7130 Total Students: 29,500 Square Miles: 90 Implemented: 1989

Roane County Schools 137 East Main Street Spencer, WV 25276 Jim Bailey Transportation Director (304) 927-6426 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Rochester Community Schools 380 S. Livernois Rochester, MI 48063 Lori Richardson Transportation Coordinator (313) 651-4040 Total Students: 11,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

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Rockdale County Public Schools 945 North Main Street Conyers, GA 30207-4480 Benson Plunkett Director of Transportation (404) 483-4713 Total Students: 10,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Rockingham County School District 1210 North Liberty Street Harrisonburg, VA 22801 A.J. Botkin Director of Transportation (703) 433-2458 Total Students: 9,500 Square Miles: 580 Implemented: 1991

Rockville Center Union Free School District Shepherd Street Rockville Center, NY 11570 Joe Dragone Data Processing Manager (516) 255-8809 Total Students: 3,300 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1987

Rocky River City Schools 21600 Center Ridge Road. Rocky River, OH 44116 R.W. Zinser Exec. Dir. of Personnel & Admin. Services (216) 333-6000 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Rosemount LS.D. #196 14445 Diamond Path Rosemount, MN 55068-4191 Gloria Rea Director of Transportation (612) 423-7685 Total Students: 18,000 Square Miles: 110 Implemented: 1989

Roseville Area Schools 1251 West County Road B2 Roseville, MN 55113 Jan Vanderwahl Transportation Supervisor (612) 635-1600 ext. 235 Total Students: 6,500 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Roslyn Union Free School District Harbor Hills Road Roslyn Heights, NY 11756 **Barbara** Trant Tansportation Supervisor (516) 625-6324 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

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Sucramento City Unified School District 3101 Redding Avenue Sacramento, CA 95820 John Haycox Director of Transportation (916) 454-6705 Total Students: 49,200

St. Boniface School Division #4 50 Monterey Road Winnipeg, MB R2J 1X1 Claude B. Huot Transportation Supervisor (204) 253-2681 Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: 67

Implemented: 1990

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

St. Francis L.S.D. #15 22968 Ambassador Blvd. NW St. Francis, MN 55070 **Judy Collins** TIES Coordinator (612) 753-2241 Total Students: 4,600 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

St. Johns County School Board 30 Crookshank Drive. St. Augustine, FL 32084 Duanne Fisher Dir. of Transportation (904) 829-0607 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

St. Vrain School District (Longmont) 395 South Pratt Parkway. Longmont, CO 80501 James D. Allen ext. 253 Supervisor of Transportation (303) 776-6200 Total Students: 15,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1987

Salden Bus Service (Chaska) 402 6th Street West Chaska, MN 55318 Ed Salden Vice President (612) 448-2696 Total Students: 4,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Salem City School District 402 6th Street West Salem, OH 44460 Fred Jones Dir. of Transportation (216) 332-0316 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

San Bernardino County Schools 601 North "E" Street San Bernardino, CA 92410-3093 Janice Noreen Program Manager for Transportation Facilities (714) 387-4333 Total Students: 5,000 Square Miles: 24,000 Implemented: 1988

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Sandy Valley Local School District Route 2 Magnolia, OH 44643 William Dieringer Superintendent (216) 866-3339 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

San Jose Unified School District 1605 Park Avenue San Jose, CA 95126 Dee Presley Director of Transportation (408) 998-6186 Total Students: 28,900 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1986

San Luis Coastal Unified School District . 1499 San Luis Drive San Luis Obispo, CA 93403-8124 Alan Fillmore **Data Processing Specialist** (805) 543-2010 ext. 1216 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

San Mateo City School District 300 28th Avenue San Mateo, CA 94403 Richard J. Dameliao Superintendent (415) 312-7777 Total Students: 8,800 Square Miles: 85 Implemented: 1990

Santa Ana Unified School District 1405 French Street Santa Ana, CA 92701-2499 Dr. Anthony Dalessi Assistant Superintendent, Support Services (714) 558-5578 Total Students: 44,400 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Santa Clara Unified School District P.O. Box 397 1889 Lawrence Road Santa Clara, CA 95052 Linda Ferreira Transportation Manager (408) 983-2063 Total Students: 12,400 Square Miles: 33 Implemented: 1988

Saugus Union Elementary School District 22211 West Newhall Ranch Road Saugus, CA 91350 George Gilbert Director of Transportation (805) 297-8800 ext. 36 Total Students: 5,500 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Scottsdale Unified School District 9288 East San Salvador Scottsdale, AZ 85258 Hal Dibler Director of Transportation (602) 852-2443 Total Students: 20,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

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Seminole County School Board 1211 Mellonville Avenue Sanford, FL 32771

Randy Johns
Director of Data Processing
(407) 322-1252 ext. 310
Total Students: 45,000
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1990

Shaler Area School District
1800 Mt. Royal Blvd.
Glenshaw, PA 15116
Lois Condis
Transportation Supervisor
(412) 492-1210
Total Students: 6,500
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Sheboygan Area School District
.c/o Longfellow Elementary
.1315 South 9th Street
Sheboygan, WI 53081
Bill Walter
Transportation Coordinator
(414) 459-3581
Total Students: 8,700
Square Miles: 100
Implemented: 1990

Sheffield-Sheffield Lake City
1824 Harris Road
Sheffield, OH 44054
Dr. Donald Chiavetta
Superintendent
(216) 949-4202
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Sioux Falls School District #49-5
201 East 38th Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57117
Jerry Mayer
Coordinator of Student Services
(605) 331-7900
Total Students: 15,100
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1991

Smithtown Central School District
26 New York Avenue
Smithtown, NY 11787
George Kerst
Transportation Supervisor
(516) 361-2667
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1989

South Brunswick School District

1 Executive Drive

Monmouth, NJ 08852

Sandra Kowalsky

Transportation Coordinator

(908) 297-7800

Total Students: 4,100

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1988

South Euclid-Lyndhurst
5044 Mayfield Road
Lyndhurst, OH 44124
Stan Kohn
Transportation Director
(216) 691-2000
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

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South Orangetown Central School District
Tappan Zee High School
Dutch Hill Road
Orangeburg, NY 10962
Nicki Rivera
Transportation Director
(914) 359-3638
Total Students: 4,000
Square Miles: 14
Implemented: 1991

South Putnam Community School
Corporation
Rural Route 2 Box 134
Greencastle, IN 46135
Tom Grooms
Director of Transportation
(317) 653-4736
Total Students: 1,300
Square Miles: 144
Implemented: 1988

Metropolitan School District of
Southwest Allen County
4814 Homestead Road
Ft. Wayne, IN 46804
Nancy Kuker
Director of Transportation
(219) 434-2423
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Southwestern City School District
3427 Southwest Boulevard
Grove City, OH 43123
Mike Cahill
Director of Transportation
(614) 875-2318 ext. 370
Total Students: 17,000
Square Miles: 129
Implemented: 1989

Southwest Licking Local School District

195 North 5th Street
Kirkersville, OH 43033

Alice Swartz
Transportation
(614) 927-3941

Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Spartanburg School District #5
100 N. Danzler
Duncan, SC 29334
Sid Crumpton
Asst. Superintendent
(803) 439-6326
Total Students: 5,100
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1991

Spring Grove Area School District
RD #4 Box 4621
Spring Grove, PA 17362
Carol Hersh
Transportation Coordinator
(717) 225-4758
Total Students: 4,000
Square Miles: 97
Implemented: 1991

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Spring Independent School District Transportation Department 24037 Hardy Road Spring, TX 77373 Marcia Edge Director of Transportation (713) 353-2332

Total Students: 17,000 Square Miles: 35 Implemented: 1990

Springboro Community Schools (Clearcreek Local School District) 705 South Main Street Springboro, OH 45066 George Mourouzis Director of Operations & Maintenance (513) 748-3955 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Springfield, City of 225 Fifth Street Spingfield, OR 97477 Leitha Zeller Computer Applications Specialist (503) 726-3614 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Springfield Local School District 6900 Hall Street Holland, OH 43528 Robert Moellenberg Treasurer (419) 866-2400 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A. Implemented: N/A

Springfield Public Schools 195 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 Peter Hogan Director of Transportation (413) 787-7153 Total Students: 23,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Stillwater L.S.D. #834 1875 South Greeley Street Stillwater, MN 55082 Mike Brabender Transportation (612) 439-7877 Total Students: 8,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1990

Stow City Schools 1819 Graham Road Stow, OH 44224 Michael Workman Transportation Supervisor (216) 673-6550 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

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Strathcona County Board of Education 2001 Sherwood Drive Sherwood Park, AB T8A 3W7 CANADA Ralph Schienbein

Director of Planning & Data Services (403) 464-8111

Total Students: 12,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1987

Strongsville City Schools 13200 Pearl Road Strongsville, OH 44136 Patsy Edwards **Data Processing Supervisor** (216) 238-2650 ext. 240 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented; N/A

Sugarcreek Local Schools 60 E. South Street Bellbrook, OH 45305 Steve Fryburg Transportation Coor. (513) 848-4029 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Implemented: 1991

Sumner County Schools 225 East Main Street Gallatin, TN 37066 Larry Riggsbee Director of Pupil Transportation (615) 451-5200 Total Students: 19,600 Square Miles: N/A

Sycamore Community School District 4881 Cooper Road Cincinnati, OH 45242 Melissa Shea Systems Manager (513) 791-4848 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Tacoma Public Schools 4002 South Cedar Street Tacoma, WA 98401-1357 Larry Skinner Director of Transportation (206) 596-1855 Total Students: 29,000 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1989

Thompson School District R2-J 535 Douglas Avenue Loveland, CO 80537 Jim Atwood Planning Department (303) 669-3940 Total Students: 11,800 Square Miles: N/A Implemented: 1986

TIES Training Center 1925 West County Road B2 Roseville, MN 55113 Janet Hennekens Services Supervisor (612) 638-2307 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

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Tippecanoe School Corporation
21 Elston Road
Lafayette, IN 47905
Phillip Mugg
Director of Transportation
(317) 474-3443
Total Students: 7,700
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1988

Trotwood-Madison City Schools
444 South Broadway
Trotwood, OH 45426
Phillip Mugg
Dir. of Transportatin
(513) 854-3050
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Tucson Unified School District
1010 East 10th Street
Tucson, AZ 85717-0400
Bill Ball
Operations Supervisor
of Transportation
(602) 628-2360 ext. 054
Total Students: 52,000
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1989

Tupelo Public School District
201 South Green Street
Tupelo, MS 38801
Dr. Derwood Tutor
Assistant Superintendent
(601) 841-8858
Total Students: 6,000
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: 1991

Twinsburg City Schools 10270 Ravenna Road Twinsburg, OH 44087 Linda Baker Purchasing Agent (216) 425-7116 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

Vestal Central School District
201 Main Street
Vestal, NY 13850
Roger Warren
Transportation Supervisor
(607) 757-2270
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Walled Lake Consolidated Schools
615 North Pontiac Trail
Walled Lake, MI 48390
Barb Swidler
Information Services Supervisor
(313) 669-1005
Total Students: 9,300
Square Miles: 56
Implemented: 1990

Warren City Schools
261 Monroe Street Northwest
Warren, OH 44482
216) 841-2265
Transportation Supervisor
(216) 841-2265
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

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Warren Consolidated Schools
31950 Mound Road
Warren, MI 48092
John Roeck
Director of Transportation
(313) 825-2960
Total Students: 15,400
Square Miles: 32
Implemented: 1990

Metropolitan School District
of Warren Township
9301 E. 18th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
David M. McCullough
Director of Transportation
(317) 899-6879
Total Students: 10,000
Square Miles: 32
Implemented: 1989

Washington County Education
Service District
17705 NW Springville Road
Portland, OR 97229
Gregory Thomas
Information Service Coor.
(503) 690-5411
Total Students: 41,000
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Washington Local School District
3505 West Lincolnshire Blvd.
Toledo, OH 43606
Mark Rule
Transportation Department
(419) 475-8153
Total Students: N/A
Square Miles: N/A
Implemented: N/A

Washington State
809 Legion Way S
Olympia, WA 98
Jeff James
Energy Reson
(206) 586-503
Total Students: N
Implemented: N

Waterloo Commenty Schools
1516 Washingto reet
Waterloo, IA 5
Sharon Dro
Project Supe (319) 291-45
Total Students:
Square Miles:
Implemented:

Waterloo Cour 51 Ardelt Aver Kitchener, ON 2G 3X5
CANADA Kathy Ulm Superinten (519) 742Total Student Square Miles Implemented 89

Metropolitan School Wayne Town District 4205 West M 46241 Indianapolis Joyce We **Fransportation** Director 61 (317)24112,000 Total Stude Square Mile 1991 Implemente

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Weatherford Independent School District

118 North Denton

Weatherford, TX 76086

Bob Lee

Assistant Superintendent

(817) 598-2803

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

Weld County School District #6 (Greeley)

811 15th Street

Greeley, CO 80631

Gary Steward

Computer Systems Coordinator

(303) 353-5444 ext. 150

Total Students: 11,300

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1986.

West Babylon Union Free School District

10 Fermingdale Road

West Babylon, NY 11704

Michael Schoenberg

Dir. of Transportation

(516) 321-3076

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

West Baton Rouge Parish School District

670 Rosedale Road

Port Allen, LA 70767

Greg Grimes

Director of Transportation

(504) 343-8343 or 8344

Total Students: 5,000

Square Miles: 150

Implemented: 1990

West Bloomfield Public Schools

3250 Commerce Road

Pontiac, MI 48033

Bruce Schjolin

Transportation Director

(313) 682-1554

Total Students: 4,600

Square Miles: 20

Implemented: 1991

Westerville City Schools

336 South Otterbien

Westerville, OH 43081

Dr. Dick Miller

Deputy Supt. for Business

(614) 895-6080

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

Wheaton-Warrenville Public Schools (Community School District #200)

130 West Park Avenue

Wheaton, IL 60187-6456

Sherry Groset

Computer Technician

(708) 682-2189

Total Students: 12,000

Square Miles: 26

Implemented: 1988

"Wheeling" Ohio County Schools

2203 National Road

Wheeling, WV 26003

Jesse Burris

Dir. of Transportation

(304) 243-0300

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

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White River School District #416 240 North "A" Street

Buckley, WA 98321

Earl Storm

Transportation Supervisor

(206) 829-0600

Total Students: 3,000

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1990

Wichita Public Schools

3850 North Hydraulic

Wichita, KS 67219

Lorna A. Rust Supervisor, Transportation Services

(316) 833-2190

Total Students: 80,000

Square Miles: 155

Implemented: 1991

Windham Public Schools

322 Prospect Street

Willimatic, CT 06226

Carl LaMar

Business Adminstrator

(203) 423-8401

Total Students: 2,000

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: 1989

Wirt County Schools

793 Mulberry Street

Elizabeth, WV 26143

Doug Hill

Dir. of Transportation

(304) 275-4279

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

Wyandanch Union Free School District

Straight Path School

Wyandanch, NY 11798

Leo Hardy

Transportation Supervisor

(516) 491-1058

Total Students: N/A

Square Miles: N/A

Implemented: N/A

Xenia City Schools

578 East Market Street

Xenia OH 45385

James Smith

Coordinator of Pupil Services

(513) 376-2961

Total Students: 10,000

Square Miles: 127

Implemented: 1989

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Youngstown City School District 20 West Wood Street Younstown, OH 44503 Bill Volosin Assistant Business Manager (216) 744-6909 Total Students: N/A Square Miles: N/A Implemented: N/A

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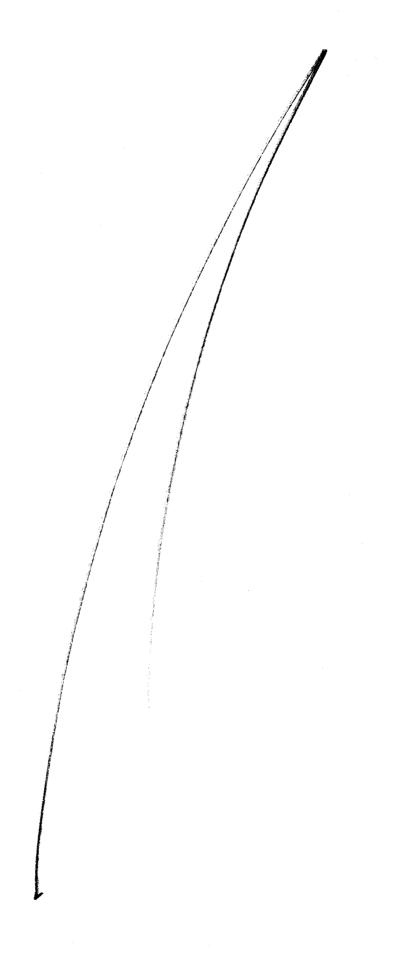
Durham Transportation, Inc. 17878 Castleton Street Industry, CA 91748 Dave Delamotte Vice President, Corporate Development (818) 854-1590 755 Peralta San Leandro, CA 94577 Eric Ordway General Manager (510) 562-0803

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FirstGroup plc 9 February 2007

FirstGroup plc ("FirstGroup" or the "Company")

Acquisition of Laidlaw International, Inc.

The board of directors of FirstGroup (the "Board") today announces that FirstGroup has signed an agreement (the "Acquisition Agreement") for the acquisition of Laidlaw International, Inc. ("Laidlaw") (the "Acquisition") for \$35.25 per ordinary share of Laidlaw in cash, equivalent to a total consideration of \$3.6 billion (£1.9 billion) including the refinancing of Laidlaw's existing debt. Upon completion, the Acquisition will create North America's leading transport services company. The Acquisition has been unanimously recommended by the boards of both companies.

The acquisition price of \$35.25 per ordinary share of Laidlaw represents a premium of 11 per cent. to the closing price of an ordinary share of Laidlaw of \$31.72 on 8 February 2007 the last business day before this announcement and the total consideration of \$3.6 billion represents a multiple of 7.7 times the EBITDA of Laidlaw for the financial year ended August 2006 of \$466.3 million.

The Board believes that there are significant strategic and financial benefits to be gained from the acquisition of Laidlaw in terms of scale, product offering and position in the North American transport market, as well as an opportunity to create value through synergies.

Specifically, the Board expects that the Acquisition will:

- enable FirstGroup to develop further its position in North America, consistent with FirstGroup's strategy of growing the earnings of the business, inter alia, by selective acquisition
- provide a strong platform for FirstGroup to derive further economies of scale and offer
 consistent standards of quality and service to customers in both the public and private sector
 in North America
- generate approximately \$70 million of annualised pre-tax cost savings in the first full financial year following its completion
- be earnings enhancing in the first full financial year following its completion

The cash consideration for the Acquisition (including the repayment of existing debt of Laidlaw) of \$3.6 billion (£1.9 billion) will be satisfied through a combination of debt and equity finance. The debt portion will be financed from new committed bank debt facilities of \$3.75 billion (£2.0 billion). The equity portion of approximately \$750 million, which is supported by an equity bridge

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facility of that amount, will be financed from a placing of new ordinary shares to raise approximately £200 million announced separately today and a subsequent equity issue of approximately £175 million which is expected to take place shortly after completion of the Acquisition.

The Acquisition is conditional upon, amongst other things, the approval of the shareholders of both FirstGroup and Laidlaw and receipt of necessary anti-trust approvals in the US.

Further details regarding the Acquisition and Laidlaw are set out in the full text of the announcement of which this summary forms part.

Martin Gilbert, Chairman of FirstGroup, commented:

"This acquisition marks an important new phase in the development of the group's business. As a consequence of the strengthening of our North American activities, we will create additional value for our shareholders."

Moir Lockhead, Chief Executive of FirstGroup, added:

"FirstGroup's acquisition of Laidlaw will considerably enhance the group's existing activities in North America, which themselves have grown strongly since we first invested in the US in 1999. The improved earnings and strong cashflows arising from the acquisition will strengthen the Group's position. FirstGroup aims to be the leader in delivering safe, reliable, innovative and sustainable transport services. We look forward to welcoming our new colleagues in North America to the Group and working with them to integrate the businesses. Laidlaw is an established, well run company that shares our commitment to safety and delivering high quality services to the customers and the communities we serve."

Kevin Benson, President and Chief Executive Officer of Laidlaw added:

"This transaction represents an excellent opportunity for our employees and stockholders. The combination of Laidlaw and FirstGroup will bring together two well-known brands and two wellrespected companies that share a very strong focus on employee and customer satisfaction. I am delighted to recommend this transaction to our stockholders."

An analyst meeting to discuss the Acquisition will be held at 9.00am GMT today at the offices of JPMorgan Cazenove, 20 Moorgate, London, EC2R 6DA. An interview with Moir Lockhead, Chief Executive of FirstGroup plc, can be seen at www.firstgroup.com and www.cantos.com.

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FirstGroup plc ("FirstGroup" or the "Company")

Acquisition of Laidlaw International, Inc.

Introduction 1.

The Board today announces that FirstGroup has signed an Acquisition Agreement for the acquisition of Laidlaw, the leading operator of school and inter-city bus transportation and a supplier of public transit services in North America. Under the terms of the Acquisition Agreement, FirstGroup will pay consideration of \$35.25 per ordinary share of Laidlaw in cash, equivalent to a total consideration of approximately \$3.6 billion (£1.9 billion) including the refinancing of Laidlaw's existing debt.

Information on Laidlaw

Laidlaw is the leading operator of school and inter-city bus transportation and a supplier of public transit services in North America. Laidlaw group businesses operate recognised brands, including Laidlaw Education Services, Greyhound Lines and Greyhound Canada ("Greyhound"), and Laidlaw Transit. Laidlaw's shares trade on the New York Stock Exchange.

For the financial year ended 31 August 2006, Laidlaw had revenues of \$3.1 billion (£1.6 billion) and operating profit of \$250.5 million (£132 million). As at 31 August 2006 Laidlaw had gross assets of \$3.0 billion (£1.6 billion).

Laidlaw operates in three reportable business segments that provide transportation services in the United States (approximately 84% of revenue) and Canada (approximately 16% of revenue):

- Education Services (approximately 50% of revenue); (i)
- Greyhound (approximately 40% of revenue); and (ii)
- Public Transit (approximately 10% of revenue).

The Education Services segment ("Education Services") provides school bus transportation, including scheduled home-to-school, extra-curricular and charter and transit school bus services, throughout the United States and Canada. Greyhound, a national provider of inter-city bus transportation in the United States and Canada, provides scheduled passenger service, package delivery service and charter bus services. The Public Transit segment ("Public Transit") provides fixed-route municipal bus services and paratransit bus transportation for riders with restricted mobility. For the year ended 31 August 2006, approximately 84% and 83% of Laidlaw's revenues and EBITDA, respectively, were generated in the United States, with the remaining 16% and 17% generated in Canada.

Education Services (i)

Laidlaw's Education Services segment is the leading independent school bus operator in North America. The segment operates in 37 states in the United States and 6 provinces in Canada. Headquartered in the Chicago suburb of Naperville, Education Services operates school buses and special education vehicles, primarily under the name Laidlaw Education Services in North America.

The Education Services business is composed of three core activities (home-to-school, extracurricular and charter & transit) as well as the non-core activities of equipment leasing, logistical support, maintenance agreements and other support services.

Education Services has contracts with more than 1,000 school boards and districts in North America. Education Services has approximately 450 operating locations in Canada and the United States, providing transportation for approximately 2 million students each school day. The fleet consists of approximately 41,000 buses. For the twelve months ended 31 August 2006, Education Services generated \$1.58 billion in revenues and \$294.5 million in EBITDA.

- Greyhound Greyhound is the only national provider of scheduled inter-city bus transportation services in the United States and Canada. Greyhound's operations are headquartered in Dallas, Texas. Greyhound serves the value-oriented customer by offering scheduled passenger services to approximately 2,400 destinations throughout the United States and Canada, carrying approximately 24 million passengers annually. Greyhound also provides package express services and charter bus services. For the twelve months ended 31 August 2006, Greyhound generated \$1.24 billion in revenue and \$152.1 million in EBITDA.
- (iii) . Public Transit Laidlaw's Public Transit business is a leading private provider of municipal public transportation services in North America, specialising in paratransit (transportation for mobility-challenged individuals) and fixed-route (municipal transit) contract services. Headquartered in Overland Park, Kansas, the segment operates under the name Laidlaw Transit Services. Laidlaw Transit Services also operates under the name SafeRide Services in Phoenix, Arizona. Revenue is mainly driven by contracts with regional and municipal transit authorities. As of 31 August 2006, Public Transit had nearly 130 municipal transit and paratransit contracts, involving 40 million passengers carried annually, and a fleet of approximately 3,400 vehicles, approximately 71% of which are client owned. For the twelve months ended 31 August 2006, Public Transit generated \$308.2 million in revenues and \$19.7 million in EBITDA.

Public Transit operates at approximately 88 locations in 23 states and transports more than 40 million passengers per year.

Background to and reasons for the Acquisition

FirstGroup's strategy is to maintain and develop its role as a leading global transport provider. It has pursued, for some years, a strategy of improving shareholder returns through organic growth and by selective acquisitions in the UK and North America. The Acquisition is consistent with this strategy and is expected to be earnings enhancing in the first full financial year following completion.

a) Background

In 1999, as part of its strategy to develop profitably its business outside the UK, FirstGroup acquired the US based Ryder Public Transportation Services, Inc. ("Ryder"), a business primarily involved in student transportation but also involved in transit contracting and management and fleet maintenance and ancillary services. This represented FirstGroup's first large US investment.

FirstGroup has successfully integrated Ryder, and grown its business in North America (both organically and by acquisition) from a turnover of \$683 million, in its first full financial year of operations, to a business which reported turnover of \$1,476 million in the year ended 31 March 2006, and which has continued to grow since then. Over the period since 1999 FirstGroup has built a very experienced US management team.

The US school bus market is highly fragmented, with bus services predominantly run by school boards. The Board estimates that of the 500,000 school buses in North America, approximately 350,000 are in the public sector and are still the direct responsibility of, and are operated by, the school district authorities.

FirstGroup's involvement in the US transit market consists largely of "Fixed Route" contracts to operate and manage urban bus services on behalf of state transit authorities and "Paratransit" services contracts to provide transport for passengers with restricted mobility and manage call centre operations for these services. The combined Fixed Route and Paratransit markets are estimated to be worth approximately \$15 billion, of which some \$13 billion is in the public sector and some \$2 billion in the outsourced private sector.

b) Strategie rationale

The Board believes that, in bringing together FirstGroup and Laidlaw, it will create a stronger, more robust business, in what is still a fragmented market, that is capable of growing its earnings through improved operating efficiencies and the extraction of substantial synergies. The enlarged group will be able to improve its margin whilst being significantly cash generative.

More specifically, FirstGroup is familiar with the school bus and transit markets in which Laidlaw operates and has followed Laidlaw in an acquisition context for over two years. The Board of FirstGroup views the business as extremely attractive and will bring to FirstGroup:

- 1) Proven operations with respected management;
- 2) Diversified contract-backed revenues with over 1,400 contracts;
- 3) Established and tightly controlled cost base;
- 4) Healthy, organic growth opportunities; and
- 5) Strong cash generation, enabling the group to reduce leverage quickly.

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In the North American school bus market, the lower cost base will enable the enlarged group to bid for contracts more effectively and the Board of FirstGroup believes that its enhanced service offering will benefit both the customers and the Company. It will also give FirstGroup the opportunity to work more effectively with those school districts which continue to run their own buses, by offering them a greater range of services bringing more operational and cost efficiencies. The combined business will operate approximately 63,000 school buses in the US and Canada. It will employ over 71,000 staff in North America.

Since the acquisition of Ryder, FirstGroup has grown strongly in the transit contracting and management markets. FirstGroup's transit business has successfully expanded in the higher margin, faster growing call centre, paratransit, logistics consultancy and public/private shuttle bus markets. The Acquisition will provide a strong platform for FirstGroup to offer further economies of scale and importantly consistent standards of quality and service to its customers in both the public and private sector. The combined business will employ over 12,000 staff in the US and Canada.

FirstGroup considers Greyhound to be an attractive business with exciting growth prospects and strong brand. Greyhound has a well-respected management team, who have re-shaped the business in the last two years through network rationalisation. Greyhound is the only national provider of scheduled intercity bus services in the US and Canada, employing over 11,000 staff, and is a credible competitor to many other forms of mid to long distance transport. FirstGroup's management believes there is further scope to enhance revenues through yield management systems, improved revenue collection and optimisation. In addition, FirstGroup believes that Greyhound's marketing offering is relatively under-developed and as a consequence there is significant scope to drive revenue growth, for example from longer term bookings.

However, Greyhound is a less obvious strategic fit with the rest of FirstGroup's current business. The Board of FirstGroup will therefore be carrying out a strategic review of Greyhound.

c) Financial effects of the acquisition

The Acquisition will bring significant savings in both operating costs and capital expenditure. FirstGroup estimates annual cost synergies to be approximately \$70 million in the first full financial year of ownership. The savings will be achieved through:

- 1) rationalisation of the network and removal of overlapping operations;
- 2) removal of excess spare fleet;
- reduction in equipment stock, such as spares;
- 4) sale of excess owned properties;
- 5) purchasing improvements;
- 6) reduced insurance costs; and